

FROWN ON RECLAMATION PROPOSITIONS

Senators Give the Western Governors Little Encouragement For The Appropriation of \$250,000,000.

Washington, Jan. 14.—Governors of western states and representatives of the western states reclamation association conferred today with senators and representatives to urge government aid for reclamation of western arid lands.

Little encouragement was given to the delegation which was told that strict economy was being practiced by congress and that authorization of no new projects or large appropriations other than those absolutely necessary was contemplated.

Among those who urged federal aid were Governors Bamberger, of Utah, Hart of Washington, and Larrazolo of New Mexico. Other speakers were Governors D. W. Davis of Idaho, chairman of the reclamation association, T. E. Campbell, of Arizona, and former Senator Catron of New Mexico. All urged passage of the bill of Senator Jones, republican, Washington, which has been reported favorably to the senate proposing appropriations of \$250,000,000 for irrigation projects. It was suggested that if direct appropriations were not favored by congress a bond issue be authorized.

Neither Dead Nor Even Sleeping

Much has been said by the Carrizozo papers in the past concerning the New State Oil & Gas Company and much remains to be said in the future and because we have not spoken about the doings of this important company for the past few weeks is by no means an evidence that it has ceased operations or for one moment diverted its attention from the purpose for which it was organized.

The members of the New State Oil & Gas Co. are business men of Carrizozo and at the close of the old year their respective lines of business demanded a certain amount of their time which they were compelled to give and this has kept them temporarily out of the field, but from now on, they will be actively engaged in the work of securing leases from those who well understand why they have not been visited of late. In the meantime, the company has secured many leases from parties knowing the temporary inability of the members to visit them, have appeared and closed deals on the strength of their faith in the proposition and the men at the head of the movement. From now on the work will be pushed with renewed vigor and those wishing to keep in touch with the movements of the company will do well to watch the papers. The oil boom is coming; watch our smoke.

Apron and Candy Sale Highly Successful

As previously announced in this paper, the ladies' Guild of the Episcopal Church conducted an apron and candy sale this afternoon at the office rooms of Mr. Wm. Reily, the same being successful from both a social and financial standpoint. The aprons sold rapidly the supply being exhausted before the affair had fairly started. The candy suffered the same fate. Cake and coffee was served to patrons who gathered to partake of the spread prepared and served by members of the Guild. The affair lasted throughout the afternoon. The "Joy Makers," Ferguson, Pitts and Bamberger furnished their usual display of musical talent and Mr. John Brannick added his contribution to the joyful affair by rendering several well selected solos accompanied by the "Joy Makers." The sale netted about seventy dollars, and the ladies of the Guild are to be congratulated.

New York Dentist Killed With Hatchet

New York, Jan. 14.—The body of J. D. Hanania, a dentist, who had been murdered with a hatchet, was found in his office today by his mother.

A man recently released from Sing Sing prison on parole after serving a term for a murderous assault on a member of the dentist's family, is being sought by the police. They learned that a man answering the description of the convict was seen climbing down a fire escape of the building shortly before the body was found.

The chief county medical examiner said it was the most brutal murder he had seen in all his experience.

Strange Malady Like Cholera in Oklahoma

Oklahoma City, Okla., Jan. 14.—Five hundred of the 2,000 inhabitants of Shiatook, Tulsa county, are seriously ill of a strange malady which has baffled the physicians, according to reports to the state health department here. Several deaths have occurred. In the opinion of one physician, the disease is a mild form of cholera. It begins with an attack of dysentery and causes a losing of weight, according to the report. The state health department will send three physicians and 10 inspectors to the town tomorrow.

Aviatrix Is Killed

Casper, Wyo., Jan. 14.—Maud Toomey, 28, was so seriously injured that she died and Lieut. Bert Cole, pilot, was less seriously injured as the result of a fall of 500 feet in an airplane today as the machine was attempting to land at the Casper hanger.

Jury Finds Harry New Guilty

The jury in the murder case of Harry New just terminated at Los Angeles rendered a verdict with the following clause: "We find him sane and guilty of murder, but we are not sure even now whether he is sane or insane and we do not want the responsibility of deciding it, so we return to have the court investigate it." This is the most remarkable verdict turned into the courts in the knowledge of jurists from the fact that the jury dodges the issue of insanity by throwing the burden back to the shoulders of the court after admitting the sanity of the defendant and following this with a verdict of guilty in the first clause.

The case which has occupied the attention of the people along the coast for some time is one in which the defendant while pleading guilty on the charge of murdering his sweetheart, his attorneys have from the first battled with the argument that New was insane at the time of the crime. There being an endless amount of money on the side of the defense, has caused much speculation as to what the findings of the jury would be and now that the jury has finished in such queer fashion it will be a hard matter to decide just what the court will do, or what the outcome of the entire case will be. He showed no signs of emotion on being led back to jail and when asked as to what he thought of the verdict he said: "It didn't jolt me any."

New Mex. Tax Commission Fixes Valuation on Lands

Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 15.—The state tax commission has fixed the minimum valuation of grazing lands in New Mexico for 1920, ranging from \$2.25 an acre in regions of light rainfall to \$3.75 an acre in districts where there is more annual rainfall.

The state is divided into eight districts for assessment purposes, as follows:

- First—Colfax, Mora, San Miguel and Union counties, \$3.75 an acre.
- Second—Quay, Curry, Roosevelt, Lea, \$3.75.
- Third—Guadalupe, De Baca, Chavez, Eddy, \$3.25.
- Fourth—Otero, Lincoln, Torrance, Santa Fe, \$3.
- Fifth—Taos, Rio Arriba, San Juan and Sandoval, and Socorro north of base line, \$2.25.
- Sixth—Bernalillo, McKinley, Valencia, \$2.25.
- Seventh—Socorro, south of base line, Grant and Sierra, west of range 6 west, \$3.
- Eighth—Sierra, east of range 6 west, Hidalgo, Dona Ana and Luna, \$2.75.

Enormous Increase

The crop reports for Arizona for 1919 show a gain of \$20,000,000 over those of 1918. The total value of all crops, except livestock, is placed at \$61,758,000, of which the total amount for cotton is \$27,000,000.

Prof. Hall of Silver City Normal Here

Prof. W. O. Hall, president of the Silver City Normal, visited our city Wednesday and Thursday of the present week, in the interest of education. Dr. Hall gave a very interesting talk at the schools which was well received. He finds that in his tour of this section of the state, less than 2% of the pupils are contemplating entering the teaching profession. Dr. Hall was the guest of Dr. Cole of the Carrizozo schools and Mrs. M. L. Blaney, County School Superintendent. In another portion of the Outlook, appears an article under the head of "Remarkable Opportunity" which should be read by every teacher in Lincoln county. Dr. Hall is one of the kind of educators, who besides leaving pleasant remembrances with those he comes in contact, creates a standing invitation to repeat his visit.

Pankey Buys 24,000 Acres Of Land West of Santa Fe

Santa Fe, N. M., Jan. 15.—Twenty-four thousand acres of land have been purchased from the La Majada land grant by Lieut. Gov. B. F. Pankey for approximately \$7,000.

This new property, with the adjoining Caja del Rio grant, acquired by Mr. Pankey some time ago, gives him a 94,000 acre ranch just west of Santa Fe.

Mr. Pankey has leased the grant to Kansas City oil men for development.

Negroes Ask State For Free Nation

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Establishment of a separate state under the protectorate of the United States for the segregation of the nation's negro population was advocated before the house judiciary committee today by representatives of the negro race.

Dr. Moses Madden, of St. Louis, told the committee a state should be established along the Rio Grande on territory ceded by Mexico and the state of Texas, and that it should be inhabited and administered entirely by negroes under the general protection of the United States.

China Hog Brings \$35,000 At Auction

Noblesville, Ind., Jan. 15.—Chief's Best, a spotted Poland China hog, brought \$35,000 in a sale this week. The hog belonged to Frank Wise and was purchased by Wycoff and Simazon, representing an Iowa state breeders' association. A sow brought \$8,000 at the sale. Forty head which were sold brought a total of \$64,380.

Over From Glencoe

Will T. Coe was over from Glencoe Wednesday. Mr. Coe always brings good news from his locality concerning stock and range; the present conditions being far better than usual.

ARRANGEMENT COMPLETED FOR DRY LAW

Everything In Readiness to Turn Wheels of Water Mill January 16. Fruit Juices? No!

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Prohibition commissioner Kramer completed organization of the machinery for the enforcement of constitutional prohibition after the amendment and the enforcement law become effective at midnight tomorrow night. Commissioners have been appointed for practically all states as well as for the districts into which the country has been divided for purposes of enforcement of the law.

The export of intoxicating liquors will cease with the coming into force of the amendment. An enormous amount of whisky has been sent out of the country within the past few weeks, but large stocks still remain in bonded warehouses and its disposition will be watched closely to prevent illegal sales.

Lucky Oil Fans

About nine months ago, a certain J. W. Smith, of Dexter, Kansas, a close friend of B. L. Stimmel wired that he was at the head of an oil company and had reserved two shares, thinking his friend might take the advantage of what he, Mr. Smith, considered a good bet. Shortly after the receipt of the message, Mr. Lin Branum stepped into the office of the Live Stock Commission Company. Mr. Stimmel made mention of receiving the wire, whereupon Mr. Branum asked if he might be a chance taker, to which Mr. Stimmel agreed and the money was at once dispatched to Mr. Smith. Nothing more was thought of the matter until the first of the present week when these gentlemen received the news that a good flowing well had been obtained on the holdings and another was under headway in which they have the fondest hopes of a gusher.

Happy Reunion

The Straley sisters of Ancho, who have for the past three months been at El Paso, came home about the first of the year to welcome their brother Spurgeon, who had just arrived from foreign service. Spurgeon has had an experience which as he puts it, has been worth more than money to him. He was, for a long period stationed at a certain port in Siberia after which he visited Japan, China and was fortunate in being among those of our boys who were treated to a pleasant sojourn at the beautiful, dream city of Honolulu. Spurgeon says that the service was to him more of a grand opportunity than one of service. He feels proud of the fact that he was able to do his part in the world war and would gladly repeat what he has undergone in the service of his Uncle Sam.